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SUBJ: POSSIBLE DISTURBANCES DURING CHILEAN FONMIN SPEECH
TO UNGA PLENARY

1. COSTA RICAN FONMIN FACIO TOLD AMB BENNETT OCT 5 THAT HE FEARED AFRO-ARAB GROUP, SPURRED BY CUBANS AND SOVIETS, AND SUPPORTED BY MEXICO, WOULD ATTEMPT TO DISRUPT CHILEAN FONMIN HUERTA'S SPEECH TO UNGA PLENARY (NOW POSTPONED UNTIL OCT 9). FACIO SOMEWHAT VAGUE ABOUT TYPE OF DISTURBANCE BUT IMPLIED IT MIGHT EVEN GO BEYOND A MASS WALKOUT AND INVOLVE SOME TYPE OF CHALLENGE TO CHILEAN CREDENTIALS.

2. PERUVIAN PERMREP PEREZ DE CUELLAR COMMENTED TO BENNETT, HOWEVER, THAT CREDENTIALS CHALLENGE SEEMED OUT OF QUESTION SINCE LAS, WITH EXCEPTION OF CUBA, WOULD ALL STRONGLY OPPOSE. HIS VIEW SUPPORTED BY PANAMANIAN AMB BOYD AND ECUADOR'S CHARGE WHO TOLD MISOFF THEY HAD HEARD NO RUMORS WHATSOEVER ABOUT ANY CREDENTIALS CHALLENGE BUT THOUGHT MANY DELEGATIONS WOULD BOYCOTT CHILEAN SPEECH. AUSTRIAN
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AND UK MISOFFS, NORMALLY WELL INFORMED ON AFRICAN MOVES,

ALSO PROFESSED IGNORANCE OF ANY ORGANIZED ATTEMPT TO BLOCK
CHILEAN FONMIN FROM SPEAKING.

3. POSSIBILITY STILL REMAINS THAT CUBANS, RADICAL ARABS,
AND MANY AFRICANS, BUOYED BY THEIR SUCCESS IN CREATING
FUROR OVER SOUTH AFRICAN FONMIN'S PRESENTATION TO PLENARY,
MAY ATTEMPT SOME TYPE OF SPECTACULAR DEMONSTRATION IN UN
(E.G., MASS BANGING OF DESKS) AND MAY EVEN ATTEMPT TO
SUPPLY AMERICAN OPPONENTS OF NEW CHILEAN REGIME WITH
VISITORS' GALLERY SEATS. AT USUN REQUEST, SPECIAL PROTECTION
BEING PROVIDED FONMIN HUERTA AND HEAD OF CHILEAN UN DELEGATION
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